

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th November 2025

Dear parents and carers

This has been such a busy week for all pupils and teachers as we had the **Autumn Term assessments** for Reading, Maths and English. Parents will have the opportunity to discuss outcomes and progress with class teachers the week after next. Please make sure you have booked an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher.

At the beginning of the week we gathered for our Collective Worship where we focused on the feast of **CHRIST THE KING** which was celebrated last Sunday. Children reflected on how Jesus is a different type of king who leads like a true shepherd.

Other important activities this week included another meeting for **Worship Leaders** to plan for Advent Liturgies and the **Junior Citizenship** workshops our Year 6 children attended to learn more about Road and Fire safety and other important aspects related to growing up and being a responsible citizen.

As it was **Parliament Week**, this Thursday, children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 voted to elect their representatives on the **School Council** for this coming year. (See page 2 of this newsletter for names of children elected) We will be meeting with these children regularly to talk about ideas about how to improve things and make the school even better.

This coming Sunday is the **First Sunday of Advent** and the beginning of the new Liturgical year in Church and we will reflect more on this special season next week.

Thank you and have a good weekend.



This Sunday is the FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

As we light the first candle on our Advent wreath we think of how best to prepare for the coming of Jesus into our hearts.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Friday 5th December
Class Assembly - 3M

Parents of children in 3M are invited to attend - 8.50 am in Building 2

Monday 8th December
**Feast of Mary the
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

**Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and
Thursday 11th November**
TERMLY LEARNING CONFERENCES
Meetings between class teachers and Parents

**Week beginning
Monday 15th December**
Nativity Plays
(see letter to parents)

Friday 19th December
Last Day of term
Children finish at the normal times

WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER





TERMLY LEARNING CONFERENCES

Our Termly Learning Conferences will take place from

**Tuesday 9th to
Thursday 11th December.**

Please see class teachers when you collect your child this coming week to book an appointment.

Each parent will have 10 minutes to speak to the class teacher so punctuality is of utmost importance.

Every week our Mid-day meals supervisors award stars to pupils who show our school values during lunchtime breaks.

The following are the names of our Star children for this week.



SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The following are the children elected to be part of our 2025-2026 school council. They will be representing the school on special occasions and having meetings to discuss how we can make our school even better.

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Iman	Jeremiah	Roman	Akeem
Aylen	Chanelle	Jana	Deborah Y
Nevaeh	Fifi	Dylan	Benjamin D
Raheel	Adura	Kyla	Aisha

Nursery:
Neriyah, Dean

Reception:
Raphael, Elhana

Year 1:
Kevin, Shemariah

Year 2:
Freda, Deborah

Year 3:
Miracle, Jaden, Divine

Year 4:
**Alice, Esosa,
Lisa, Jeremiah**

Year 5:
Isabella, Jairy

Year 6:
**Benjamin, Joshua,
Benjamin**

Starting Reception School in September 2026

If your child was born between

1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022

Your child is due to start primary school in September 2026

You will need to complete the online local authority form using the

following link <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>

before the closing date

Thursday 15th January 2026

Applications made after this date will not be considered for the first round and will be 'a late application'.

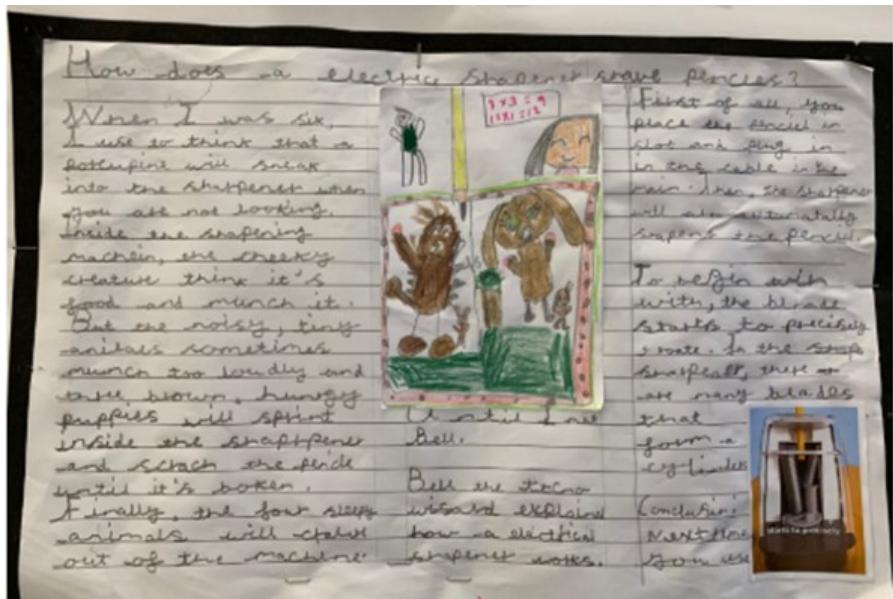


FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL THIS WEEK

CLASS 4G

4G have been enjoying the book *Until I Met Dudley*. The children learned how everyday appliances work and linked this to their Science topic on **Electricity**. Just like the little girl in the story, they used their imaginations, researched fun facts about how things work, and proudly published their writing.

This term, the pupils are learning about **Trust in God**. They are finding out about prophets in the Bible who trusted and obeyed God, even in difficult situations. The children will also learn about the Angel Gabriel's message to Mary, the Holy Trinity, and the mystery of the Incarnation.



RECEPTION

In Maths, we have been exploring **number composition** and the different ways we can make a number. The children used a variety of materials to show the many ways they could build and represent each number.

In Literacy, we have been learning about families through our focus book **So Much** by Trish Cooke. The children enjoyed acting out the story and taking part in a family celebration, joining in with the kinds of activities they might do at a real family party.



Missed your flu vaccine?

**Live or attend school in the borough of
Southwark? Aged 4 – 16?**

Come down to a flu catch-up clinic and
protect yourself!

Wednesday 26 November, 15:30 – 17:00
Ellen Brown Children's Centre, SE1 3EU

Thursday 27 November, 16:00 – 17:30
Ellen Brown Children's Centre, SE1 3EU

Saturday 29 November, 11:00 – 15:00
Brixton Library, SW2 1JQ

**Our clinics are walk-in.
Call 020 8614 5495 for
more information**



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Saturday 6 December
10:00 – 14:00

IRMO Centre, Warwick House, SW9 7JP

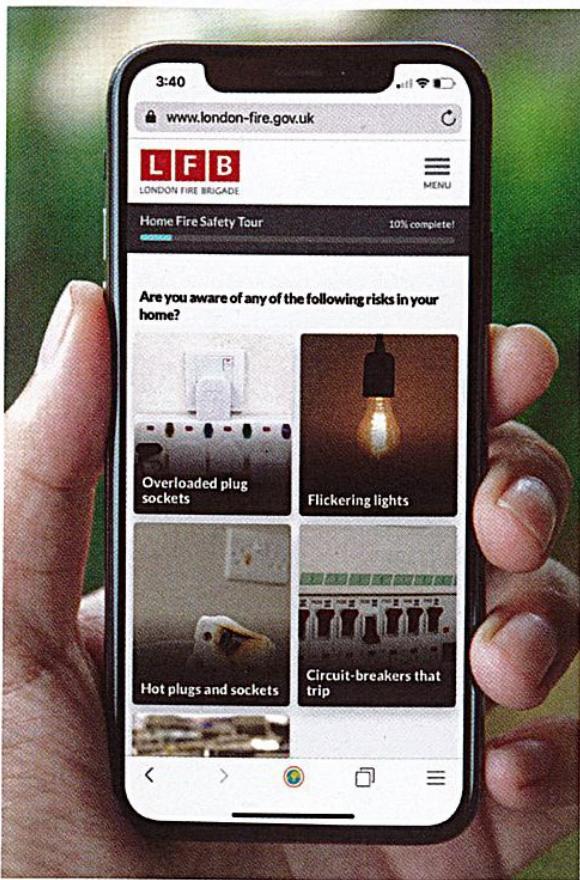
Saturday 20 December
10:00 – 14:00

Big Yellow Flexi Offices, SE5 7SW

**For more information
or to book an
appointment call 020
8614 5495**



HELP US HELP YOU



Fire safety is so important to keep your home and the people you love safe, but it can be hard to know what help you need.

That's where we can help – answer some questions using our online **Home Fire Safety Checker** and based on your level of risk, we will suggest fire safety actions that are right for you.

This could be booking a home visit from one of our crews or providing you with online advice that suits your needs.



Check your fire risk today – we'll get you the right help.

Scan this QR code:



or call us on **0800 028 4428**.

MUSIC GROUPS AT



St George's
Cathedral

SOUTHWARK

St George's Cathedral runs a thriving **music programme** for **children aged 0-18**. All choirs are **free** to join and open to boys and girls.

Small Sounds (New from November 2025)

Weekly music classes on Wednesday mornings for children aged 0-5 and their grown-ups.

Children's Choir

Informal singing group for children aged 5-7 on Wednesday afternoons.

Junior Choir

Church choir for young singers aged 7-12 on Thursday afternoons.

Cathedral Choir

Auditioned, selective choir for talented singers aged 9-13 on Friday afternoons and Sunday mornings.

Cathedral Consort

Liturgical choir for older children aged 13-18 on Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings.

For more information and to register please visit <https://stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/music/> or contact cathedralmusic@rcaos.org.uk



NATIONAL SCHOOLS SINGING PROGRAMME





SMALL SOUNDS

Free, drop-in music sessions for
children aged 0 - 5 and their grown-ups

Shake, rattle and roll with your little ones and
discover the joy of music through songs and play

WEDNESDAYS at 10:15 in
term time

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL
Lambeth Rd, SE1 7HY

Scan to join our mailing list:

<https://www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/smallsounds>



LOCAL MUSIC LESSONS

Dear parents

PEMBROKE ACADEMY OF MUSIC offers music and instrumental lessons to local children mainly those in Year 3 to Year 9.

Please see the poster below for more details about dates and times as well as fees for lessons.

We would like to support this initiative and children from our school who would like to take part and start learning how to play a musical instrument.

Please see Mr Camilleri if you would like to discuss further.

Thank you.



Wednesdays (term time) **6:30pm-8:15pm**
At Pembroke House 80 Tatum St SE17 1QR

For Ages 7-14 (Yr3 - end of Yr9)

Weekly high-quality music tuition in a range of musical instruments, music theory and ensemble performance at subsidised rates for all participants.

Contact by email or phone:

lucy.duncan@pembrokehouse.org.uk
020 7703 3803

Fees per term:

Full Price: 1st child-£55,
2nd child-£44, 3rd child-£33
Concession fees available.



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Every
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4-5PM

children's
Area

TERM TIME ONLY